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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Two-way Voice Infra-red Communication
Systems (P-113)

1. On May 1, 1953, [] called APD regarding a proposed trip to the [] wherein the various contracts would be discussed with corporation officials in that area. Since a trip [] was not contemplated for the next several weeks a date of May 13, 1953, was tentatively selected, at which time I would meet with [] in that area.

2. A second point was discussed which covered the status of the proposals currently under consideration from [] and it was pointed out that due to the trend of our current procedures, it would be impossible to act on proposals 76-1, 76-2 and 76-3, dated 20 April 1953, within the time stipulated by []. In their proposals, it was pointed out, that an acceptance time of 20 days was expected after which the cost figures presented could not be considered as binding. When this was brought to point, [] indicated that this was simply a procedure normally followed by [], which could be extended with little or no trouble to a much longer period, if it was found necessary. It was suggested, therefore, that a period of 30 to 45 days be considered in order that the proposals could be given appropriate attention.

3. [] was also asked to present a further breakdown of Phase I of the contract relating to Two-way Infra-red Communication Systems as outlined in their proposal. Since this proposal is rather broad and general it was not believed that adequate detail was present in order that an intelligent appraisal of this proposal could be made, especially in the light of the large sum of money being requested for the work. [] pointed out that they had initially made a very detailed analysis of this phase and could readily submit one for our consideration. At this time a cost breakdown would also be submitted to indicate the cost of Phase I initially presented. [] indicated that this breakdown of proposed work and cost could be made available within a week or two.

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